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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The State Public Defender (SPD) is statutorily authorized and required to appoint attorneys to represent indigent defendants in criminal and certain commitment proceedings. The SPD plays a critical role in ensuring that the Wisconsin justice system complies with the right to counsel provided by both the state and federal constitutions. Any legislation has the potential to increase SPD costs if it creates a new criminal offense, expands the definition of an existing criminal offense, or increases the penalties for an existing offense.

This bill allows a person to be strip searched, subject to the requirements imposed under current law, if he or she is arrested or otherwise lawfully detained by law enforcement, and he or she will be incarcerated, imprisoned or otherwise detained in a jail or prison with one or more other persons.

This bill does not regulate strip searches by law enforcement or medical personnel only but allows anyone that obtains written permission from the chief, sheriff or law enforcement administrator for his or her jurisdiction to conduct a strip search for both felonies and certain misdemeanors. This bill has an unquantifiable fiscal effect on the SPD; due to the unforeseen charges resulting from the strip search (i.e. drug related offense) which could result in legal representation by the SPD.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications